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Tikal Bakery II

Santa Ana, Calif. – Amilcar and Melvia Mancilla, owners of Tikal Bakery, purchased a building in Riverside with the assistance received from a U. S. Small Business Administration 504 loan. Their successful bakery business was able to expand to its second retail location, doing business as Tikal Bakery II, with the purchase of this new building

The business started in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mancilla where they baked goods and delivered them to the homes of their customers. Very quickly the business expanded to occupy their Fontana location in a busy industrial area. The Mancilla family has been in the bakery business for almost thirty years and has been providing hot, fresh baked goods and Guatemalan food to customers throughout the Inland Empire for 12 years. Among the foods offered are tamales, sausages, chile rellenos, rellenitos and chorizo.

Evelyn Rounds, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Mancilla, came to the SBDC in January 2003 requesting assistance in preparing a business plan detailing how she and her family would purchase a building to expand their business. With the objective of expansion in mind, an SBDC consultant set out to help the client draft a business plan and complete a loan package. Within a month, the package was complete and was submitted to Business Bank of California.

The second store opened in April of 2004 at 3975 Mission Inn Avenue in Riverside with a focus on baked goods. Future plans include a mini-mart of Guatemalan products, a quick serve restaurant and a room for sports fans to watch games while enjoying authentic treats from Guatemala.

Amilcar and Melvia Mancilla will be recognized for their business success on October 21, 2004 at the Ontario Marriott by the U. S. Small Business Administration as part of the SBA's salute to Minority Enterprise Development.

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